



# THE GREEN BUZZARD

Schnee Vogli Ski Club  
P.O. Box 42383,  
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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Good evening guys,

This is your public service announcement that the ski race season is not over and Slalom racing will continue above the tree line in three weeks. Be there.

But more seriously, the last few weeks have been truly exceptional; sun, ski racing and socializing. It's also been a distinct pleasure to see the mass of members coming together and advancing ski racing on Mt Hood. At our races, everyone helped set, maintain, break down and transport our course. At the K\*\*\*\*B\*\*\* members not skiing met at the top and bottom for encouragement and photos and a separate contingent stepped up to make sure food was being cooked for the tailgater. If you were at the Laura Green Memorial Race last weekend, you may have noticed that the majority of the volunteers enabling that fundraiser are Schnee's. Everywhere you look there are Schnee's at work making sure what we are passionate about happens and is successful.

I'll keep this one short and talk more about the summer events in the next one. Remember to come out to the next meeting to vote for the new guys, come to the last meeting to vote on the board for next season and eat pizza.

Don't forget to ski.

-Christian

## NEWS

### Condor Cup Series

We held our last Terry Walter Condor Cup race at Timberline on April 5. It was a beautiful day and we had 27 of the boys and 10 of our Skiyente friends race. Thanks to everyone who helped put on the race and keep the course in good shape. It was a 4 race/8 run day! There was a three way tie (Peter Dodd, Farzin Ghezeli and Dale Marshall) going into the day. Farzin took the lead after the first race and held on to it

after the second race. Peter took over the lead after the third race and kept the lead after the fourth race to claim the cup! He's lucky Ed Rogers wasn't at all of the races this year as Ed won all four of the races that day (based on age handicap). For fastest raw times, Peter Dodd had one of the fastest runs, Adam Miller had 3 of the fastest runs and Brian Bogatin had 4 of the fastest runs. We were able to award the trophy to Peter at the post race tailgater at Trails Mix that afternoon. See attached for results (or check for them on our website). Thanks to the 34 guys and 154gals who showed up for at least one race/run this year.

### **PACRAT Racing**

The last PACRAT race was held April 6 at Timberline. Ruttin' Rats were tied for second going into the race. Schnee Ratten was a little farther back due to expected absences. We will find out who won the team title at the Rat Attack April 18.

### **SlowLam**

We are still hoping to do some slalom racing this year. Tentative dates are 5/4 and 5/11 at Timberline. Adam is still working out details, so stay tuned and set those days aside for some racing. Many people may be hesitant to try out slalom because they don't have the right skis, pole guards, or shin guards. While I can speak from experience that these are not 100% necessary, I would agree that it is nice to have and needed if you are planning on slapping gates. If this is a barrier for you, let us know! Many of us have extra gear we may be willing to lend you or sell to you at a discount.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **Officer Elections!!!**

It is time to nominate officers for next year! There will be an opportunity at the meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and on the annual business meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>. The vote will be held at the meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup> and the new officers will begin their new roles on June 1<sup>st</sup>. I have attached the list of positions and their duties. I have also provided a list of current nominations.

### **Membership Updates**

Gentleman!

We are going to have a busy vote night this coming Tuesday. We have associates and full membership votes that need to happen. Below is a list of people

that will be voted on, if they attend the meeting. If you are to be voted on for associate member and don't show, we cannot vote on your membership.

Potential associates to be voted on (sponsors to the right of their name):

Michale Tarr (Dale and Garry through Pac Rats and Dale Parshall)

Jeff Woodson (Jack Walker and Christian Bennett)

Darris Miller (Brendan O'Connell, Mark Conan, Greg Dilger)

Kent Johnson (Steven Sciborski)

Eric Hicks (Andrew Murphy, Ryan Rooper, Farzan)

Geoff Kittell (Dennis Noreen)

Associates that are to be voted on for full membership (sponsors to the right of their name):

David Gearing (Steve Scibirski, Jeff Langfelt, Bob Brown)

Dave Winterling (Scott Morrison, Jeff Vachter, Christian Bennett)

Greg Brown (Bob Lawrence, Christian Bennett, Bob Brown)

Shane Smith (Jarrod Leveque, Steve Urdahl, Christian Bennett)

Keep talking about the club, referring new members, and having fun! We are gaining traction with these new members and we still need another four or five more new members to make up for the increased insurance costs for the club. We want to keep the yearly dues unchanged for everyone and having more members accomplishes this task.

If you have any ideas for fundraising we will have more expenses in the near future and off setting increases is the goal. We are in a decent place yet we need your ideas/help for a more successful club.

Any associates that have been missed please reach out to me to get added to the vote list. We are going to be in discussion for the new associates/members for a while and please be on task and ready to speak about these good people. We need to be respectful of each other and the new members waiting for the vote to be completed.

See you on Tuesday via zoom if you are out of town or in person at the Buffalo Gap!

Thanks,  
Dennis

### Seedy Petey Photo Contest

You are running out of time to submit photos for the Seedy Petey Photo Contest! The winner will be announced at the next meeting.

You can submit to the historian's email ([historian@schneevogeli.com](mailto:historian@schneevogeli.com)) or on the historian's corner of whatsapp.

### Historian's Photo Project Update

As our ski season comes to a close we will be looking forward to continuing work on the photo project. If you are decently savvy with a computer and have a couple hours to help the club out, your assistance will be deeply appreciated. There is a variety of work left to do including capturing media digitally, processing digital photos to color correct and adjust for best possible presentation, and achieving the content in a format where the members of the club can view the content at will.

We are considering professionally printed portraits from the files we are digitizing as a fundraiser for the club. After some initial research this looks to be extremely viable and more details will come soon.



### SVSC Swag

Lots of new logo gear out there so far, but right now the book is closed on all the previous special order items. We are working diligently on hats in three colors and two styles with a sewed on buzzard patch. These will be available this summer and current pricing is looking at \$20 or less. Check in at the summer activities to see if they are available.

### Meeting Reminder and Zoom Access

Remember meetings occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month. Unless otherwise planned the meeting will continue to be at the Gap off Macadam as they

have been in the past. Doors open for the meeting space at 6:15 pm. Meeting starts promptly at 7 pm. Silence you phones!

You may have noticed a few participants calling in via Zoom. This is routinely offered to anyone who lives more than 25 miles from the Gap. Another reason you may call in is if you are sick or traveling. Please email Christian ([President@schneevogeli.com](mailto:President@schneevogeli.com)) before the meeting to obtain the link if you need it.

### **Membership Applications**

We are all talking with skiers at various shows and ski events. Invite them to a meeting and get them introduced to the members. If you have a referral for a new member please send Dennis their contact information. He will be more than happy to reach out to them and get them up to speed about the club. Your job is simple, make the introduction and share their contact information. We are in need to bring 15 new members and that task will be one at a time. We want more great members like yourself to join in on the fun!

If you have a new prospective member, here is the link to the online version of the application; <https://forms.gle/y8wii8QAWdn481y>.

### **WhatsApp stuff**

For those of us that do not look at our emails often, we have created a WhatsApp community for the membership. I would encourage everyone to try it out. Our email listserv is clunky and not cell phone friendly. The hope is this will allow for easier communication with event organization and last-minute updates. It is a great way to send high resolution images to the historian. There is also a form for selling your gear to make room for new ski gear. **All our existing communications will not be changing.** We are simply adding an extra layer here to see if it will be of benefit.

Once you have downloaded the app to your phone and started your account, you can click this link to join the Schnee community. [Here is the link](#).

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Apr 18<sup>th</sup> - Rat Attack**

Where: Mt Hood Center, 29450 SE Lariat Ln, Boring, OR 97009

When: Doors open at 5, dinner at 7

What: PacRat awards banquet. Always a good time! Details will be emailed out by the PacRat board soon.

## **Apr 19<sup>th</sup> - Meadows Dinner**

Where: Starts at Trails End Cabin

When: Evening of April 19<sup>th</sup>, details coming soon

What: Annual gathering. Starts with a cocktail party at trails end, then we all hop on a bus to Meadows for a fancy dinner. Then back on the bus to return to Govy and rampage the bars. At some point there may be erotic dancing...

## **Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> - Club Meeting**

Where: The Gap

When: Opens at 6, meeting at 7

What: Wrapping up the ski year and nominating officers for next year.

## **May 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> - SlowLam**

Where: Timberline, somewhere on the Mile?

When: Daytimes on 5/4 and 5/11

What: Slalom racing, casual event. Still working on details but save the dates.

## **May 13<sup>th</sup> - Annual Business Meeting**

Where: The Gap

When: Opens at 6, meeting starts at 7

What: This is the final meeting of the season and a pizza night. We will elect officers for the upcoming year. If any amendments to the bylaws are suggested, this is when we would vote on them. It typically has the biggest turnout of any of the meetings. Following the summer we will be back at the gap 09/09/25.

## **June 21<sup>st</sup> - Highway Cleanup**

Where: Meet at Skibowl West, we will break out from there.

When: Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup>, meeting at 930 am

What: We are the sponsors for the best section of HWY 26 from SkiBowl to Snowbunny. We will clean trash from the side of the road, then have lunch together in Govy. This is a required event for associates.

**Aug 9<sup>th</sup> - SVSC Golf Tournament, Picnic and Horseshoe Tournament**

Where: Mt Hood Oregon Resort

What: Annual golf competition. Save the date. More details will arrive as it approaches. Don Clay is organizing the event. There is a club picnic after. Reach out to the president if you are not into golf but would like to help.

**Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> - His & Hers Golf Tournament**

Where: Mt Hood Oregon Resort

What: Partner with a female and compete against your friends in this partnered golf tournament. Don Clay is organizing the event. Expect more details as the event approaches.

**Sept 6<sup>th</sup> - Fall Highway Cleanup and Shotgun Shoot**

Where: Meet at Skibowl West, shotgun shoot after in Wamic

**Sept 9<sup>th</sup> - First Meeting of the Year!**

Where: Buffalo Gap Saloon

When: Doors open at 6, meeting at 7

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Evolution

A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

## Ski Trip

Three guys go to a ski lodge, and there aren't enough rooms, so they have to share a bed. In the middle of the night, the guy on the right wakes up and says, "I had this wild, vivid dream of getting a hand job!" The guy on the left wakes up, and unbelievably, he's had the same dream, too. Then the guy in the middle wakes up and says, "That's funny, I dreamed I was skiing!"

## "Yachting"

A man joins a soccer team and his new teammates inform him, "At your first team dinner as the new guy, you will have to give us a talk about sex." The evening arrives and he gives a detailed, humorous account of his sex life. When he got home, his wife asked how the evening went and not wanting to lie, but also not wanting to explain exactly what happened, he said, "Oh, I had to make a talk about yachting," his wife thought this a little peculiar but said nothing more and went to sleep. The next day she bumped into one of his new teammates at the supermarket and asked, "I heard my husband had to make a speech last night. How did it go?" His mate said smiling, 'Oh, it was excellent! Your husband is clearly very experienced!.' The wife looked confused and replied to his mate, "Strange, he has only done it twice and the second time he was sick."

# CAPTAIN BUZZARD NOTES

It is time to start looking forward to next season. Making plans for great trips and parties. But, don't forget there is still skiing to be had this year! Join us for some SlowLam at Timberline! Don't forget the Rat Attack is Friday and Meadows Dinner on Saturday.

See you on the Mountain!

- Joe Smoot

# OFFICER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## ARTICLE II

**DUTIES OF CLUB OFFICERS** – The duties of the elected club officers are, but are not limited to, the following:

### **PRESIDENT:**

1. Acts as chairman at all meetings including those of the Executive Committee.
2. Plans, organizes and directs the execution of club programs and policy in accordance with the expressed will of the membership.
3. Appoints all committees and instructs them as to the desired results.
4. Authorizes the incurrence of financial obligations consistent with the mandates of the members.
5. Orders and approves payment of club funds for authorized obligations.
6. Has management responsibility for the performance of all elected club officers, activity chairmen, and standing or special committees.

### **FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:**

1. Assumes the duties of the President in his absence.
2. Serves on the Executive Committee.
3. Responsible for all additional duties delegated to him by the President.
4. Acts as Membership Chairman, and maintains an accurate up to date club roster of Associate, Full Active, Honorary and Lifetime members.
5. Responsible for printing of mailing labels (from the roster) and delivering them to the Corresponding Secretary in a timely manner to insure that the “Green Buzzard” can be mailed on time.

### **SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:**

1. Assumes the duties of the President in the absence of the President and the First Vice President.
2. Serves on the Executive Committee.
3. Responsible for additional duties delegated to him by the President.
4. Chairman of the clubs Disciplinary and Activities committee.
5. Responsible for organizing and coordinating all the clubs ski racing with championship series and snowbird races.

### **RECORDING SECRETARY:**

1. Takes the minutes at club and Executive Committee meetings, transcribes these minutes for presentation at the next club meeting, maintains and archives copies of all minutes during the club year, and delivers complete copies of these minutes to the Historian at the end of each club year.
2. Maintains listing of all standing and special committees.
3. Notifies officers, activity chairmen, and members of duties assigned by the President.

4. Serves on the Executive Committee.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:**

1. Maintains a file of all club correspondence and records.
2. Prepares and mails meeting notices and other communications to the membership.
3. Is responsible for the creation, duplication and mailing of the club's news letter "Green Buzzard" twice a month September through April, and once a month May through August.
4. Serves on the Executive Committee.

**TREASURER:**

1. Responsible for the collection, deposit and accounting of all funds received by the club from all activities of the club.
2. Maintains the club check book, and reconciles the account monthly with the bank statements.
3. Pays out club funds at the request of the President for the liquidation of all authorized bills and any other financial obligations.
4. Prepares and presents current financial reports at club meetings and at the end of the club year.
5. Responsible to the auditing committee for the accuracy and completeness of all the club's financial records and the balance of all financial transactions and records. These records are to be maintained utilizing the generally accepted accounting principles known as "double entry book keeping."
6. Serves on the Executive Committee.

**HISTORIAN:**

1. Responsible for maintaining a history of the ski club.
2. Arranges for pictures to be taken at club functions and maintains these photos in club albums.
3. Manages and supervises the gathering and storage of club and ski memorabilia for future generations of the club.
4. Keeps current copies of Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws and records all changes.
5. Serves on the Executive Committee.

## NOMINATIONS FROM 4/8 MEETING

| Role                                     | Nominees         |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|
| President                                | Christian Bennet |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> VP - Membership Director | Dennis Noreen    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP - Race Director       | Adam Miller      |
| Treasurer                                | Dale Parshal     |
| Recording Secretary                      | James Corey      |
| Corresponding Secretary                  | Joe Smoot        |
| Historian                                | Dan Lane         |